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1. EXPANSION OF SANCTIONS AGAINST RHODESIA --

UKUN MISOFF CHARACTERIZED DEPARTMENT'S DRAFT RESOLUTION ON EXPANSION OF RHODESIAN SANCTIONS AS "FAR BETTER" THAN THAT OF HMG, BUT SAW DIFFICULTIES FOR LONDON WITH PARA 1A WHICH COULD BE INTERPRETED TO INVOLVE CLOSURE OF PENSION OFFICES. UKUN NOW FEARS ANY SC DEBATE ON RHODESIA WILL BE DIFFICULT TO CONTAIN WITHIN PERIMETERS OF SIMPLE SANCTIONS EXPANSION. (CONFIDENTIAL--USUN 420)

2. CHILE AND SOUTH AFRICA --

CHILEAN MISOFF HOLGER, IN FAREWELL CALL, TOLD AMB BENNETT THAT AFTER 27 YEARS IN CHILEAN FOREIGN SERVICE HE HAS RESIGNED IN RESPONSE TO AN "UNACCEPTABLE" ASSIGNMENT IN THE MFA IN SANTIAGO. HE BELIEVES PRINCIPAL REASON FOR HIS DIFFICULTIES WITH THE MFA WAS STRONG DISAGREEMENT OVER SOUTH AFRICA WITH CHILEAN FOREIGN MINISTER CARVAJAL, WHO IS A FERVENT ADVOCATE OF CLOSE CHILEAN-SOUTH

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AFRICAN TIES AND SEES SOUTH AFRICA AS A FIRM DEFENDER OF CHRISTIAN VALUES, HOLDING THE LINE AGAINST THE "COMMUNIST" GOVERNMENTS OF BLACK AFRICA. AS EXAMPLE OF CARVAJAL'S INSENSITIVITY TO PERCEPTIONS OF SOUTH AFRICA AT THE UN, HOLGER CITED CARVAJAL'S DECISION TO RECOGNIZE THE TRANSKEI, WHICH WAS REVERSED AT LAST MINUTE. HE SAID CHILEAN PERMREP HUERTA WILL BE REPLACED IN JUNE BY AMB SERGIO DIEZ, PRESENTLY CHILEAN OBSERVER AT HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION.

(CONFIDENTIAL -- USUN 426)

3. EAST AFRICAN AIRWAYS FUNDS --

TANZANIAN AMB CHALE, WHO ASKED WHAT ACTION HAD BEEN TAKEN ON HIS FEB. 11 REQUEST CONCERNING EAST AFRICAN AIRWAYS FUNDS IN THE US, INFORMED AMB BENNETT THAT AN AMERICAN LAWYER HAD BEEN APPOINTED TO REPRESENT EAST AFRICAN COMMUNITIES IN ANY FURTHER DEVELOPMENTS OF COMMUNITY AFFAIRS. HE TOOK POSITION THAT THE LAWYER WOULD BE REPRESENTING EAC RATHER THAN TANZANIA AS SUCH. AMB BENNETT TOLD CHALE THAT ANY DECISIONS AND ACTION ON TANZANIAN REQUEST WOULD HAVE TO COME FROM WASHINGTON. (CONFIDENTIAL -- USUN 427)

4. DEMONSTRATION AT AEROFLOT OFFICES --

APPROXIMATELY 30 INDIVIDUALS REPRESENTING THE GREATER NEW YORK CONFERENCE ON SOVIET JEWRY HELD AN HOUR-LONG DEMONSTRATION IN FRONT OF THE AEROFLOT OFFICES FEB. 14. IT WAS ANNOUNCED AS THE FIRST OF A YEAR-LONG DAILY ONE-HOUR "FREEDOM VIGIL" TO BE HELD AT EITH AEROFLOT OR SOME OTHER SOVIET INSTALLATION IN NEW YORK CITY. CHAIRMAN AND ORGANIZER OF THE VIGIL, BRONX BOROUGH PRESIDENT ROBERT ABRAMS, STATED THE MAIN PURPOSE IS A "CONTINUAL REMINDER TO THE SOVIET GOVERNMENT THAT WE WILL NEVER FORGET OUR COMMITMENT TO SOVIET JEWS." MEMBERS OF MILITANT JEWISH DEFENSE LEAGUE AND SAVE OUR ISRAEL ORGANIZATIONS WERE PRESENT AND LATER STAGED THEIR OWN 15-MINUTE DEMONSTRATION. (LIMITED OFFICIAL USE -- USUN 425)

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5. UN CHARTER REVIEW COMMITTEE --

THE COMMITTEE FEB. 14 REELECTED BROMS (FINLAND) AS CHAIRMAN, AND ELECTED ALBORNOZ (ECUADOR), GBUJAMA (SIERRA LEONE) AND FLORIN (GDR) AS VICE CHAIRMEN, AND WISNOEMOERTI (INDONESIA) AS RAPPORTEUR. AGENDA WAS ADOPTED AND WORKING GROUP AGAIN SET UP TO BEGIN WORK WHERE IT ENDED LAST YEAR ON PARA 43 OF SECRETARIAT TEXT. ALGERIA PROPOSED SECRETARIAT PREPARE SUMMARY OF CHANGES PROPOSED BY DELEGATIONS TO THE REPORT, AND CHAIRMAN SUGGESTED CONSULTATIONS TO DISCUSS THE IDEA. (THE CHAIRMAN AND SECRETARIAT HAVE TAKEN USUN'S POINT THAT THIS LISTING OPERATION IS PREMATURE.) BEFORE THE MEETING US, UK, FRANCE AND USSR AGREED TO SEEK TO CONFINE THIS SESSION TO PARA-BY-PARA DISCUSSION OF SECRETARIAT ANALYTICAL STUDY. (CONFIDENTIAL -- USUN 423)

6. COMMITTEE ON PEACEKEEPING OPERATIONS --

REPRESENTATIVES OF ITALY, SPAIN, YUGOSLAVIA, FRANCE AND ALGERIA ASKED THAT THE COMMITTEE HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY TO COMMENT ON WORK IN PROGRESS IN THE WORKING GROUP AND NOT BE FACED WITH FAIT ACCOMPLI WHEN IT IS ALL OVER. AFTER SOME CONFUSED DISCUSSION IN THE COMMITTEE FEB. 14 ABOUT HOW BEST TO GIVE THE COMMITTEE OPPORTUNITY TO COMMENT AND HOW TO FOCUS ON PRACTICAL MEASURES AS WELL AS GUIDELINES, THE CHAIRMAN'S PROPOSAL THAT THE WORKING GROUP MEET FOR TWO WEEKS BETWEEN APRIL 11 AND MAY 9 WAS ACCEPTED WITHOUT OBJECTION. THE COMMITTEE REELECTED LAST YEAR'S BUREAU: NIGERIA (HARRIMAN) AS CHAIRMAN; REPRESENTATIVES OF BRAZIL, CANADA, CZECH-OSLOVAKIA AND JAPAN AS VICE CHARMEN; AND EGYPT AS RAPPORTEUR. (LIMITED OFFICIAL USE -- USUN 419)

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7. OUTER SPACE SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNICAL SUBCOMMITTEE --

THE SUBCOMMITTEE OPENED ITS 14TH SESSION FEB. 14 AND APPROVED A SCHEDULE OF WORK, STARTING WITH A GENERAL EXCHANGE OF VIEWS. CHAIRMAN CARVER (AUSTRALIA), IN AN OPENING STATEMENT, REVIEWED THE MAJOR ACHIEVEMENTS OF "THE FIRST 20 YEARS OF THE SPACE AGE," DESCRIBING AS "SPECTACULAR" THE PROGRESS MADE IN SPACE SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY SINCE THE LAUNCHING OF THE FIRST ARTIFICIAL SATELLITE, SPUTNIK I. STATEMENTS WERE MADE ALSO BY PEREK, CHIEF OF UN OUTER SPACE AFFAIRS DIVISION, AND MURTHY, UN EXPERT ON SPACE APPLICATIONS.

8. COMMITTEE ON SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY --

LATE FEB. 11 THE COMMITTEE ADOPTED WITHOUT VOTE TWO DRAFT RESOLUTIONS CALLING FOR COORDINATION OF PREPARATORY ACTIVITIES INSIDE AND OUTSIDE THE UN SYSTEM AND THE NEED FOR "ADEQUATE" FINANCING FOR THE CONFERENCE ON SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY FOR DEVELOPMENT AND ITS PREPARATIONS. IT ALSO APPROVED A NUMBER OF DECISIONS RELATING TO NATIONAL PAPERS, REGIONAL AND INTERREGIONAL MEETINGS, INPUTS BY THE UN SYSTEM, DOCUMENTATION, AND A CHRONOLOGY OF PREPARATORY ACTIVITIES LEADING UP TO THE CONFERENCE. ALTHOUGH THE SESSION WAS TO HAVE CONCLUDED ON THE 11TH, IT WAS EXTENDED THROUGH FEB. 14.

9. APARTHEID IN SPORTS --

CHAIRMAN HARRIMAN (NIGERIA) OF COMMITTEE AGAINST APARTHEID SENT AMB YOUNG LETTER CALLING ATTENTION TO THE GA RESOLUTION ON APARTHEID IN SPORTS AND EXPRESSING THE HOPE THAT THE USG WILL TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION IN CONNECTION WITH THE REPORT THAT THE US DAVIS CUP TEAM IS SCHEDULED TO PLAY AGAINST SOUTH AFRICA IN CALIFORNIA IN APRIL, 1977. (USUN 428)

10. COMMITTEE ON NON-GOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATIONS (NGO'S) --

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THE COMMITTEE LATE FEB. 11 CONCLUDED A WEEK OF MEETINGS AND DECIDED TO SUSPEND THE SESSION AND CONTINUE WORK AT A RESUMED SESSION TO BE HELD APRIL 7 AND 8. AT THAT TIME THE COMMITTEE WILL CONSIDER THE REVISION OF A QUESTIONNAIRE THAT NGO'S APPLYING FOR CONSULTATIVE STATUS MUST SUBMIT AND A REPORT BY THE SYG ON WAYS OF STRENGTHENING COOPERATION BETWEEN NGO'S AND THE UN. ACTION WAS POSTPONED REGARDING 20 NGO'S. HACHANI (TUNISIA) WAS ELECTED AS RAPPORTEUR.

THE COMMITTEE'S ACTION INCLUDED RECOMMENDING CATEGORY I STATUS FOR INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATION OF CONSUMER UNIONS, AND INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF FRENCH-SPEAKING PARLIAMENTARIANS (FROM CATEGORY II). THE FOLLOWING WERE RAISED TO CATEGORY II STATUS: CHRISTIAN PEACE CONFERENCE, INSTITUTE FOR POLICY STUDIES, INTERNATIONAL INSTITUTE FOR VITAL REGISTRATION AND STATISTICS, INTERNATIONAL ISLAMIC FEDERATION OF STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS, WORLD TRADE CENTERS ASSOCIATION, ASSOCIATION FOR CHILDHOOD EDUCATION INTERNATIONAL, INTERNATIONAL INDIAN TREATY COUNCIL, UNION OF ARAB JURISTS, WORLD POPULATION SOCIETY, WORLD COUNCIL OF CREDIT UNIONS, AND INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR RELIGIOUS FREEDOM. TEN WERE RECOMMENDED FOR THE ROSTER: AFRICAN MEDICAL AND RESEARCH FOUNDATION INTERNATIONAL, ASIAN YOUTH COUNCIL, EUROPEAN MEDITERRANEAN COMMISSION WATER PLANNING, INTERNATIONAL CENTER FOR DYNAMICS OF DEVELOPMENT, INTERNATIONAL PEACE BUREAU, INTERNATIONAL PROGRESS ORGANIZATION, INTERNATIONAL UNION OF JUDGES, LATIN AMERICAN CONFEDERATION OF TOURIST ORGANIZATIONS, PLANETARY CITIZENS, AND INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR HYDROGEN ENERGY.

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